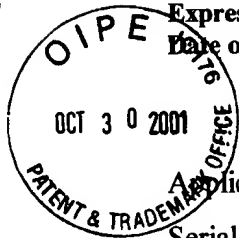


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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2001, kindly amend the application as

follows:

In the File Wrapper:

Please change the attorney docket number of record to -- 0300-005009 --.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 42, amend claims 22, 23, 26-28, 31 and 54, and add new claims 53-59. A

clean version of each replacement claim appears below.

C¹ (twice amended)
22. A method of detecting a mutated retinoblastoma ("RB") nucleic acid, the method

comprising the steps of:

(i) hybridizing an isolated full-length, wild-type RB cDNA probe to a mammalian cell

sample; and

(ii) detecting a mutated RB nucleic acid.

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